SAFFRON.

NAMES.

A. زعفران

G. Κροκος.

L. Crocus.

I. Zaffrano.

G. Saffran.

F. Safran.

S. Acezafran.

D. Tamme-saffran.

PARTS USED.

only the Style or Pistil.

PREPARATIONS.

A Tincture, A Spirit, a syrup, an extract, and Plaister, or Oxyoro-cum.

PLACE.

Cambridgeshire and Essex.

TIME.

Blossoms in Sept.r or Oct.r

DESCRIPTION

The Root is a Solid Bulb 1, coverd with many thin coats of a fine Thready matter and compressed top and Bottom. The Fibres 2, Grow round the bottom of the Root; long, and white as the Root. The Flower rises from the Centre of the Root 3, incompassed with Leaves, inclosed in a Whitish Skin, 4. The Leaves 5. are long, Narrow, of a deep Green, smooth, with a white Rib in the Middle. from the Centre of the Leaves en closed in a white film rises the flower 6, having Six Leaves of a very light purple at the upper Edges Striped which nearer the Stalk becomes a Deep Rich Shining purple. The Three Styles 7, are red like Velvet open and Jagg'd at the Top but uniting in the Stalk lose their co lour and become a Transparent white. The Chives 8, are white at the Bottom becoming purple where they join the Apices 9, which are white, coverd with a Gold Colourd Farina 10, magnified-a leaf cut Transversly.

VIRTUES

Saffron is a high Cordial.

T. Sheldrake delin.

C.H. Bemerich sculp.